



"Friday Letter"

**To the Board of Directors
December 14, 2012**

From: Rick Howard, General Manager

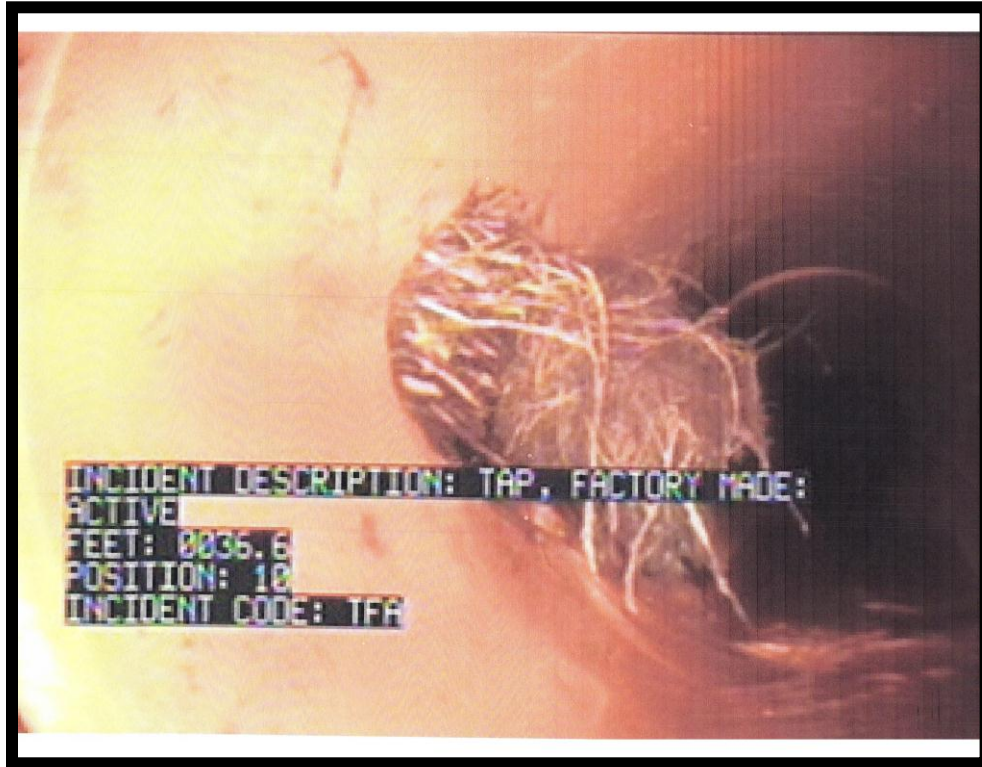
General Manager/Administration:

- ✓ This morning the Delta Community Presbyterian Church submitted their development plan modification package to the County. Once approved, this will result in the Lot Line Adjustment needed to complete the joint purchase of the DBAC parcel.
- ✓ On a related note, the Operational RFP was distributed Wednesday to a number of potential operators of the facility. The deadline for submittals is January 10th. The RFP is posted on the District's website under the link RFP's.
- ✓ As you know, the new phone system was installed last week. The phones themselves are working out great. We are having some difficulties with the MS Outlook toolbar that allows calling and message retrieval from Outlook. MegaPath is working on a fix at this time.
- ✓ As a reminder to everyone, Town offices will be closed on Monday and Tuesday, December 24th and 25th in recognition of Christmas, and again on December 31st and January 1st for New Year's.
- ✓ During the holiday closure, staff has identified on-call personnel to provide after-hours support in the event of emergency. Veolia staff is also on call during the same time frame. Business as usual will be the norm.

Water and Wastewater Services

- ✓ The big news this week is the pending departure of Berney Sadler as the Discovery Bay Project Manager. Veolia has recognized Berney's many talents and he has been promoted within Veolia. The search for a replacement candidate is underway. Berney will remain onsite until a suitable replacement is named and trained.

- ✓ We had a sewer backup on South Point earlier this week. The cause of the backup was the intrusion of tree roots that clogged sewer laterals. Veolia is in the process of clearing those lines. The photo below, taken from a camera in the sewer main, shows the tree root blockage located in the line itself:



- ✓ Well 7 – the site search continues. We’ve zeroed in on a site off Newport that is owned by Reclamation District 800. Hopefully the site will work, but it will require a variance from the California Department of Public Health as it is within 50’ of a water source. This has been extremely frustrating, to say the least.

Parks and Landscape Services

- ✓ Fairin and I met this week with representatives of the County to continue discussion on a smooth park transfer agreement. All parties are in agreement that the transfer of facilities, while complicated, should be complete by late spring.
- ✓ On a related note, the County also gave us the green light on our 2013 Earth Day Project and Blue Star By-Way memorial Marker Project that we are partnering with the Discovery Bay Garden Club at Slifer Park.

Important Dates

Upcoming important dates are as follows:

- CSD Regular Board Meeting – Wednesday, December 19, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.
- Town offices will be closed for Christmas on December 24 and 25, 2012.
- Town offices will be closed for New Year's December 31, 2012 and January 1, 2013.
- CSD Regular Board Meeting – Wednesday, January 2, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.